

almost any department of Theological study. And, if Theology be "the study of studies," it is surely desirable that the time devoted to it be proportionate to its importance. In the second place, the present arrangement necessarily involves a considerable loss of time. During the first week or even two weeks after the beginning of the session, little else is done beyond attending the classes. Students have not the necessary text-books, and even if they have, it is difficult to settle down to work just at once. But, just when they do begin to do good work, the college closes for the Xmas holidays. When the College opens again at the beginning of the New Year there is another week of unrest, and then comes the preparation for the examinations held from Jan. 18th-25th. That means that the students devote all their time to what has been already gone over in class. After the exams. are over, another week is spent in recovering from the nervous strain before the students can be said to be ready for steady work. That brings the session down to Feb. 1st., and it is safe to say that it is from that time on that the real work of the session is done. Now an improvement here is possible and very desirable. If the session were lengthened by one month, the mid-sessional exams. could be held the week before the closing for the holidays, thus giving a better balance to the two parts of the session, and affording an unbroken period of three months to the students really desirous of doing good work in the second half of the term. And lastly, it would afford the Professors an opportunity of so arranging their classes as to be able to overtake what they desire, and also relieve the students, for at least another day per week, from attending four classes of one hour each per day now felt to be in many cases a very considerable burden.

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OVERHEARD at Temperance Meeting. (*A hymn has been announced, to be followed by the closing prayer.*)

FIRST LADY—"It is getting late. We had better go without waiting for the closing exercises."

SECOND LADY—"No! Let us wait, we need the prayer after that last speech."